

# FRENCH CLAIM GAINS AT ST. MIHIEL; DEAD FILL THE WOODS AND TRENCHES

## J. B. GREENHUT CO. STORES FORCED INTO RECEIVERSHIP; \$12,000,000 DEBTS ALLEGED

Friendly Suit in Equity Followed by an Action of Other Creditors.

ASSETS ARE \$7,465,419.  
Firm Says Big Dry Goods Business Will Be Continued—Bank Not Affected.

The J. B. Greenhut Company, operating department stores on both sides of Sixth Avenue, between Eighteenth and Nineteenth Streets, was thrown into bankruptcy to-day by United States District Judge Learned Hand on the petition of creditors. Walter C. Noyes, formerly a Judge of the United States Circuit Court, and William A. Marble, President of the Merchants' Association, were appointed receivers under joint bond of \$100,000, with authority to continue the business.

The bank connected with the J. B. Greenhut store is not involved in the failure. This bank was an enterprise controlled by Capt. Joseph B. Greenhut, Benedict J. Greenhut and Charles A. Cooper, who took it over on Jan. 1, 1911. So heavy were the withdrawals following the Henry Siegel failure that the Greenhuts decided to go out of the banking business. Notices were sent to all depositors on Dec. 14, 1914, that no interest would be paid after Jan. 1, 1915. Of the 38,000 depositors on that date with aggregate deposits of \$5,000,000 all but about 5,000, owning deposits aggregating \$50,000 have withdrawn their accounts.

TWO ACTIONS—ONE FRIENDLY, ONE HOSTILE.

Two actions are involved in the Greenhut failure. One is a suit in equity filed as soon as court opened to-day by the Monmouth Securities Company, a concern doing business at West End, Monmouth County, New Jersey, of which Benedict J. Greenhut, a son of Capt. Joseph B. Greenhut, is Treasurer. The Monmouth Securities Company is really a subsidiary of the J. B. Greenhut Company. It has a claim of \$200,000 for money loaned against the Greenhut Company and also holds some of the bonds of the corporation.

Immediately following the filing of the equity suit by Cadwalader, Wick-

## STOCK PRICES SOAR ON MILLION-SHARE DAY, FIRST OF YEAR

Bethlehem Steel Gyrates Wildly, but Calms Down After Officials Act.

A million share day brought joy to the New York Stock Exchange to-day. Transactions in stocks and bonds were the largest since the blight of war fell upon the markets last July. Total sales of stocks amounted to 1,281,000 and of bonds to \$4,878,000.

Prices soared in scores of securities and some of the market leaders made high-water marks that evoked cheers from the brokers after their long and heart-breaking period of dullness.

Both speculation and investment buying tended to create an unusual volume of business. The buoyant touch of springtime inspired everybody in Wall Street with hope and confidence for quick return of prosperity.

Bethlehem Steel started as the leader of the day with scandalous fluctuations in price, ranging from 105 to 115 within the first few minutes, but it never got outside these limits.

Under the sting of severe criticism there were explanations by Stock Exchange officials, denying manipulated corners, but it was noticeable that the stock quickly quieted down and sales were limited after the first hour. It closed at 111.

U. S. Steel romped to the front in the afternoon and became the leader in a race that was wildly exciting at the finish. A great bunch of steady, old reliables galloped after it and the sight of standard issues taking the place of sky-rocketing war specialties delighted the hearts and pockets of Wall Street financiers.

Under enormous purchases U. S. Steel advanced 7 1/2 points to 57. It was followed by another market favorite, Reading, which scored up six

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## Remarkable Photographs of the Sinking of the Falaba Taken by a Passenger as the U-29 Torpedoed Her



The picture to the left above shows the lifeboats leaving the doomed Falaba on the brief notice given by the captain of the submarine on March 28 in St. George's Channel. Below is the submarine U-29 approaching to launch the torpedo that sank the steamship.

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## BATTLE IS SO FURIOUS NEITHER SIDE IS ABLE TO CARE FOR WOUNDED

Berlin, Declaring That the Enemy's Attacks Continue with Increasing Fierceness, Agrees with Paris in Reporting Enormous Loss of Life

## FRENCH MOVE CHECKED, GERMANS STILL INSIST

PARIS, April 9.—German trenches so choked with German dead the French troops were unable to occupy them, and woods full of dead and dying, were described in official despatches to-day, telling of the terrible battles now raging around St. Mihiel.

So frightful has become the loss of life in the drives against the German positions between St. Mihiel and Pont-a-Mousson and Etain that military operations actually are being hampered by the piles of dead.

Despatches from Paris and Berlin to-day agree in one particular. This relates to the great sacrifice of human life. The Germans declare that the French attacks between the Meuse and the Moselle rivers continue with "increased fierceness." Berlin insists that the French losses are the heaviest, and claims gains in sectors where Paris reports marked successes.

The battles are being waged with such fury that neither army has had time to go to the aid of its wounded, much less to bury the dead. The sides of the Combrès Plateau and the Eparges region north of St. Mihiel are strewn with dead.

The official communique from the War Office this afternoon threw little light on the actual progress of the French offensive. This fact indicates that the battles to smash the German wedge have not yet approached the end.

The French movement is on three sectors. The first is on a front of fourteen miles to the east of Verdun, the actual line running southeast from a point near Etain; the second on a front between St. Mihiel and Pont-a-Mousson, where the French are attacking from the south. The third is in the north in the vicinity of Gussainville, where the French now dominate the valley of the Orne and are threatening the railroad beyond the River Orne with attack.

The text of the War Office report to-day is as follows:

"In the wood at Ailly we captured new trenches and repelled two counter attacks. We also secured six machine guns and two trench mortars. The enemy ceased his counter attacks after midday."

"British troops repelled during the night of April 7-8 a German attack."

"Between the Meuse and the Moselle fresh progress was made. At Les Eparges we gained new ground and have remodelled the trenches captured from the Germans, which were choked with bodies so as to make the parapets face the other way, and we repelled at the close of the day two counter attacks made by the enemy. In the Montmarie wood all the progress we gained has been maintained despite very violent attacks yesterday."

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## AVIATOR GARROS WINS IN DRAMATIC DUEL IN THE AIR

Eye-Witness Describes Combat in Which German Airship Is Destroyed.

FURNESSE, Belgium, via Paris, April 9.—A dramatic duel in the air, in which a German aircraft was brought down by Roland G. Garros inside the allied lines, is described by Major Raoul Pontus, son of the former Belgian Minister of War, who witnessed the combat. The German at first succeeded in rising above Garros's machine, but the latter, by a clever twist, escaped and then flew atop the German.

"From this moment the German's position became critical," said Major Pontus. "Presently the cracking of a quick-firer showed the Frenchman judged himself sufficiently near to take the offensive. Garros shot forward in great bounds, but the German observer used his machine freely, and it seemed that a bullet might strike the Frenchman."

"Suddenly a long jet of white smoke came from the German machine. Flames then enveloped the whole aeroplane. The pilot took to flight, but suddenly there was a horrifying downward plunge. The aeroplane, a mass of flames, struck the ground. The German aviators were dead."

"The gasoline tank contained two bullet holes. The machine was marked 'No. 2, Furness Pontus.' The six-cylinder engine was very heavy and this explained its rapid fall."

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## THROWS HER BOY OUT OF WINDOW, THEN JUMPS

Woman Dies in Tragedy at Salvation Women's Home on East Side.

Mary Boyle, twenty-nine, a houseworker, threw her seven-year-old son John from a fifth-story window of the Salvation Army Home for Women at No. 316 East Sixteenth Street this afternoon and leaped after him. Both were taken to Bellevue Hospital with internal injuries.

The woman died a short time later.

Found a \$1,000 Bond in the Street.

Louis Miller, turned over to the police to-day a \$1,000 first mortgage bond of the Toledo and Northwestern Railroad Company, which he found last night on the sidewalk in front of No. 215 Madison Street. The bond is in Headquarters awaiting a claimant.

Are You Going South?

Tickets, baggage and shipping facilities of all Southern, New York, New York, Central, and South American steamship lines at THE WORLD TRAVEL BUREAU, World Building, 303 Park Ave., N. Y. City. Telephone Bureau 4060. Check room for baggage and parcels open day and night—4015.

## SAILING TO-DAY.

Ketonia, Santiago.....12 M.

Apache, Jacksonville.....1 P. M.

Chicago, Havre.....3 P. M.

Hamilton, Norfolk.....3 P. M.

New York's

Easter Fashion Parade

on Sunday

Fifth Avenue Between

Central Park and

Washington Arch

Between the Hours of 12 (Noon)

and 5 o'Clock

Get Ready for the Big Exhibition

of Styles which was Prevented

by Last Sunday's Blizzard

Make the New York Easter

Fashion Parade a Great

Annual Event!

## 2,000 GIRLS' NINE-HOUR DAY IS CUT TO EIGHT

Western Union Announces Reduction for Female Day Employees in Larger Offices.

An eight-hour day in place of nine hours for women employees of the Western Union Telegraph Company will be put into effect in its larger offices throughout the country the first of next week, it was announced at the headquarters of the company to-day.

The order affects about 2,000 women and girls on duty. Those employed at night have been working from seven to seven and a half hours, it was said.

\$12 Men's Topcoats & Suits, \$5.95

THE "HUGO" Clothing Corner, Broadway, cor. Barclay St., opp. Woolworth Building, will sell to-day and Saturday 1,500 men's Spring Suits, Topcoats and Tuxedos with these back of coats, black fabric, blue, tartan checks, brown, drays & dark mixed materials, all sizes, 34 to 42, worth \$12 in any other store our special price to-day & Saturday, \$5.95. Open Saturday night till 10—4015.

## HOW LONG CAN GERMANY KEEP UP HER FIGHT?

What is the economic condition of Germany to-day? What food has she for her immediate and future needs? What of her finances? What of her industrial health generally? The duration of the war hangs largely upon answers to these questions. And to these answers The World, in February, sent to Germany a man who has been a valued member of its editorial staff for more than a quarter of a century. This man has just returned. He traversed Germany from west to east, from north to south. He studied, through the month of March, every phase of life in Germany. The result is a series of articles by all odds the most important thus far of the entire war. The first of these articles will be published by The World next Monday morning, April 12. It will occupy two pages.